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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 2638
PATENT**

Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 09812.0649-00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of: |) | |
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| Masahiko SATO et al. |) | Group Art Unit: 2137 |
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| Application No.: 09/920,376 |) | Examiner: Schubert, Kevin R |
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| Filed: August 2, 2001 |) | Confirmation No.: 4275 |
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| For: AUTHENTICATING METHOD FOR |) | MAIL STOP AF |
| SHORT-DISTANCE RADIO |) | |
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| SHORT-DISTANCE RADIO DEVICE |) | |

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the final Office Action mailed December 20, 2005, the period for response to which extends through March 20, 2006, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants propose that this application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks follow the Amendments section.